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ADDING AUTHORIZATIONS TO AN EXISTING BASIC TEACHING CREDENTIAL

Title 5, California Code of Regulations, §80499 allows a credentialed teacher to obtain an additional teaching credential without completing the full professional preparation program for that credential. Specific information on how to complete the requirements and a diagram of the process follows

If you need to teach under the new authorization before you have time to complete the requirements, see "Alternatives" listed on the reverse of this leaflet.

ADDING AN AUTHORIZATION TO A BASIC TEACHING CREDENTIAL

- 1. The holder of a valid basic teaching credential, as defined in Education Code §44203(e), may obtain an additional multiple or single subject instruction authorization when the holder verifies (a) and (b) below:
 - (a) subject-matter competency as outlined below;
 - (b) knowledge of the methods of teaching of reading either by completion of a Commission-approved course or by passage, with a minimum score of 680, of Praxis Series Subject Assessment number 10200 entitled "Introduction to the Teaching of Reading."
- 2. If you currently hold a CLEAR or LIFE Ryan Single or Multiple Subject Teaching Credential, you must verify (a) and (b) above to obtain another CLEAR Single or Multiple Subject Teaching Credential under these regulations. If you currently hold a PROFESSIONAL CLEAR Single or Multiple Subject Teaching Credential, you will receive another Professional Clear Teaching Credential after you complete the requirements. If you currently hold a PRELIMINARY Single or Multiple Subject Teaching Credential, you will be issued another preliminary credential and subsequently must complete all requirements for a professional clear credential. If you currently hold a CLEAR Designated Subject Teaching Credential, have a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution, and have passed CBEST, you will receive a preliminary credential and subsequently must complete all requirements for a professional clear credential. (See diagram below.)

A PRELIMINARY
California Multiple or
Single Subject Teaching
Credential or A CLEAR
Designated Subjects
Teaching Credential with
a Bachelor's degree and
CBEST.

Note: U. S. Constitution requirement must also be completed.

SUBJECT-MATTER COMPETENCE

Subject Assessment or College Subject-matter Program

TEACHING OF READING
Subject Assessment or
Course Work

Five-Year PRELIMINARY Multiple or Single Subject Teaching Credential Health Education

- Special Education (mainstreaming)
- Computer Education
 Fifth year of study and the recommendation of a California college/university with a Commission-

approved program

PROFESSIONAL CLEAR Multiple or Single Teaching Credential

CLEAR, LIFE, or PROFESSIONAL CLEAR California Multiple or Single Subject Teaching Credential SUBJECT-MATTER COMPETENCE
Subject Assessment or
College Subject-matter Program
TEACHING OF READING
Subject Assessment or Course Work

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CLEAR or PROFESSIONAL CLEAR
California Multiple or Single Subject Teaching
Credential

SUBJECT-MATTER COMPETENCE

Subject-matter competence may be verified by one of two methods:

- (1) achieving a passing score on the appropriate subject area assessment, OR
- (2) completing a Commission-approved subject-matter program, or its equivalent, and obtaining a statement from the authorized person in the education department of a California college or university with the approved program (California colleges and universities may have recency requirements that have to be met before they will verify completion of a subject-matter program).

Information about registering for the appropriate subject area assessment, and passing scores, are on the leaflet entitled "Verifying Subject Matter Competence" available from the Commission. The statutory subjects available for the Single Subject Teaching Credential are Agriculture, Art, Business, English, **Government, Health Science, **History, Home Economics, Industrial and Technology Education, Language Other than English, ***Life Science, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education, ***Physical Science: Biological Sciences, Science: Chemistry, Science: Geosciences, Science: Physics, and Social Science.

- ** Only available to candidates who have been determined by a Commission-approved college or university to have completed course work in the subject matter program on or before December 31, 1994. The program must be completed by January 1, 1998.
- Only available to candidates who have 1) been determined by a Commission-approved college or university to have completed course work in the subject matter program on or before December 31, 1994 <u>OR</u> 2) complete appropriate subject matter examinations by September 1, 1996. Please contact the Commission for information on appropriate examinations.

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SUPPLEMENTARY AUTHORIZATIONS

Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, §80089, 80089.1, and 80089.2, allows Single Subject, Standard Secondary, and some Special Secondary Credential holders to add supplementary authorizations to their credentials if they have completed 20 semester units or 10 upper division semester units in the subject area(s) to be added. Specific requirements for the supplementary authorizations are outlined on form CL-602a, which is available from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, §80057.5, allows Multiple Subject and Standard Elementary Credential holders to add supplementary authorizations for teaching in departmentalized classrooms in grades 9 and below to their credentials if they have completed 20 semester units or 10 upper division units in the subject area(s) to be added. Specific requirements for the supplementary authorizations are outlined on form CL-630a, which is available from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

ALTERNATIVES

To cover your teaching service while you are completing the requirements for the added authorization or a supplementary authorization, you might consider the following options:

- 1) A Limited Assignment Emergency Teaching Permit, pursuant to §80027 of Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, authorizes the holder of a valid teaching credential based on a baccalaureate degree and completion of a professional preparation program to teach outside of his or her credential area if both the teacher and governing school board consent to the assignment. The teacher must be currently employed by the governing board requesting this assignment and must complete at least 6 semester units of appropriate course work for renewal.
- 2) The governing board of a school district, pursuant to California Education Code §44263, may allow a teacher who holds a credential based on a baccalaureate degree and completion of a professional teacher preparation program to be assigned to teach any single subject class if the teacher consents to the assignment and has completed 18 semester units or 9 upper division units from a regionally accredited college or university in the subject to be taught. To teach a multiple subject class, the teacher needs to consent to the assignment and have at least 60 semester units equally distributed among four of the following areas: language studies, literature, mathematics, science, social science, history, humanities, the arts, physical education, and human development. NOTE: This alternative does not apply to holders of Clear Designated Subjects Teaching Credentials.
- 3) The governing board of a school district, pursuant to California Education Code §44256(b), may allow a teacher who holds a Multiple Subject or Standard Elementary Teaching Credential to be assigned to teach any single subject class below grade 9 if the teacher consents to the assignment and has completed 12 semester units or 6 upper division semester units of course work from a regionally accredited college or university in each subject to be taught.
- 4) The governing board of a school district, pursuant to California Education Code §44258.2, may allow a teacher who holds a Single Subject or Standard Secondary Teaching Credential to be assigned to teach any single subject class in grades 5-8 if the teacher consents to the assignment and has completed 12 semester units or 6 upper division semester units of course work from a regionally accredited college or university in each subject to be taught.
- 5) The governing board of a school district, pursuant to California Education Code §44258.3, may assign the holder of a credential, other than an emergency permit, to teach any subject in departmentalized classes in grades K-12, irrespective of the designation on the teaching credential, if the teacher's competence is verified according to the policy established by the governing board.
- 6) The governing board of a school district, pursuant to California Education Code §44258.7(c) and (d), may assign a full-time teacher who has special skills and preparation outside of his or her credential area to teach in an "elective" area of his or her special skills, provided the assignment is approved by the local Committee on Assignments and the teacher consents to the assignment. Elective subjects are subjects other than English, mathematics, science and social science.